All Day Milk Booths of DMS

†873. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of All Day Milk Booths running under the Delhi Milk Scheme;

(b) the details of All Day Milk Booths being run at Sarojini Nagar, Kidwai Nagar, Netaji Nagar and Lakshmibai Nagar;

(c) whether all these booths have been provided with electricity;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the details of booths where electricity is yet to be provided together with reasons therefor; and

(e) by when the remaining booths are proposed to be provided with electricity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA): (a) At present there are 270 All Day Milk Booths under Delhi Milk Scheme.

(b) In Sarojini Nagar, Kidwai Nagar, Netaji Nagar and Lakshmibai Nagar, 8 numbers, 6 numbers, 3 numbers and 4 numbers respectively of All Day Milk Booths are running.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Electricity connection has been provided in 4 numbers of booths in the above said areas. For the remaining booths, NDMC has been requested to provide electricity connection on priority basis.

Revision of Schedule M of Drugs and Cosmetics Act

874. SHRI CHITTABRATTA MAZUMDAR:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the strong reservations/objections of the small scale pharmaceutical units to the revision of Schedule M of Drugs and Cosmetics Act;

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(b) whether 34 MPs had requested in a memorandum to the prime Minister of the previous Government not to go ahead with the amendments to Schedule M, *vis-a-vis* of the threat of closure of thousands of small scale pharmaceutical units;

(c) if so, the action taken by the Government so far; and

(d) if not, whether Government would form a committee to examine the need based requirement before implementing the revised Schedule M?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Representations including the memorandum submitted by MPs were received regarding the difficulties faced by the small scale pharmaceutical units in regard to the implementation of revised Schedule M.

(c) and (d) The drug manufacturers licensed prior to 11.12.2001 were given an exemption up to 31.12.2004 for complying with the provisions of Schedule M. The difficulties expressed by these existing manufacturers, especially of small-scale sector in regard to different provisions of the Schedule M were examined and a draft gazette notification GSR 738 (E) dated 08.11.2004 has been published so as to further rationalize the Schedule M.

Shortage of urea

†875. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is likelihood of acute shortage in the availability of urea in the country for the forthcoming crop;

(b) if so, Government's response in this regard; and

(c) the total estimate of urea demanded for the Rabi crop on the basis of Government's estimate and the quantity of urea produced in the country?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) No, Sir.

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